

# **Murray City Municipal Council Chambers Murray City, Utah**

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**T**he Municipal Council of Murray City, Utah, met on Tuesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014 at 6:30 p.m., for a meeting held in the Murray City Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, Utah.

Roll Call consisted of the following:

Brett Hales,	Council Chair – Excused
Jim Brass,	Councilmember – Excused
Blair Camp,	Councilmember
Diane Turner,	Councilmember
Dave Nicponski,	Councilmember – Conducted

Others who attended:

Doug Hill,	Mayor Pro-Tem
Jan Wells,	Chief Administrative Officer
Brent Davidson,	Deputy City Recorder
Frank Nakamura,	City Attorney
Janet Lopez,	Council Administrator
Janet Towers,	Executive Assistant to the Mayor
Gil Rodriguez,	Fire Chief
Steve Roberson,	Fire Department
Daren Wightman,	Fire Department
Justin Zollinger,	Finance Director
Blaine Haacke,	Power Department General Manager
Mike Terry,	Human Resources Director
Jill Jettie,	Human Resources
Mary Ann Kirk,	Cultural Arts
Citizens	

## **5. Opening Ceremonies**

5.1 Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Terry

5.2 Approval of Minutes

5.2.1 None Scheduled

5.3 Special Recognition

5.3.1 Murray City Council Employee of the Month for May 2014 – Alex Njord, Human Resources.

Staff presentation: Mike Terry, Human Resources Director  
Diane Turner, Councilmember

Mr. Nicponski said the Murray City Council wants to recognize our Employee of the Month. He turned the time over to Ms. Turner.

Ms. Turner stated that once a month, the Council gets to honor the Employee of the Month and this month Alex Njord is being recognized. She read Mr. Njord's certificate and presented Mr. Njord with the certificate and a \$50 gift card to the Fashion Place Mall.

Mr. Terry congratulated Mr. Njord and thanked him for everything that he does. He reminded the Council that the City has a special budget set aside that they approve every year, which funds the employment of special needs teens and young adults. Mr. Njord has been with the City for two years and helps a couple times a week. He takes care of our offices by keeping them clean and orderly. He also sets up for the Council and RDA meetings. Mr. Terry reiterated how much everyone appreciates everything that Mr. Njord does.

Mr. Terry said he does not know that many people know this, but Mr. Njord was a really good swimmer in high school. In fact, he won a gold medal with the Special Olympics at a regional meet. He is really a special guy. He likes being outdoors, horseback riding, four-wheeling and motorcycle riding. He is an all-around good guy and they really appreciate when he comes in. He lights up the room when he comes and helps out. Mr. Terry congratulated Mr. Njord.

Mr. Nicponski thanked Mr. Njord and the Njord family for being here tonight and for their valuable role in our community.

5.3.2 Presentation of the Murray City Heritage Award

Presenter: Peter Steele

Mr. Steele said in recognition of National Historic Preservation Month the Murray History Advisory Board would like to present a Murray Heritage Stewardship Award to Neil and Jamie Fockel for their efforts to restore and retain the historic character of their 1899 home at 1203 East Vine Street.

Mr. Steele added this Victorian eclectic home was built the same year as Wheeler Farm and the Cahoon Mansion. The Fockel's restored the upper front windows which had been altered and while adding on an addition to the rear they retained the original brick as part of the interior wall so that future generations could visualize the original dimensions and materials.

Mr. Steele added the History Advisory Board appreciates the Fockel's care and maintenance of one of Murray's historic assets and looks forward to working with them to document the history of the home itself.

Mr. Steele said he would like to highlight a few things the History Advisory Board has done in the last year. This year, they became one of the first communities in the state to complete a survey of the entire city boundaries for historic resources. From those surveys, they designated 13 additional homes to add to the Local Historic Register which brings the number of homes on the register to 357, including two national registry districts.

The Board is also in the process of nominating seven additional individual buildings as well as a neighborhood located east of Hillcrest Jr. High to the National Register of Historic Places. These buildings and the district will be added to the multiple property nomination, which documents the built environment from Murray's early history through the 1960's.

The Board had over 70 people attend a neighborhood meeting for this Historic District last month to discuss the benefits of the National Registry Designation and the history of the neighborhood. It was an important and positive meeting.

The Murray History Museum is currently installing listening stations featuring oral segments from oral history interviews with some of the older residents of the City. Museum volunteers are working on a condition reporting project to assess the condition of all museum artifacts and to identify those items that need maintenance care for long term preservation.

Mr. Steele continued saying last October they hosted a successful story telling activity where over 300 people came downtown to enjoy the Murder Mayhem in Murray. They are currently planning a follow up

### Cemetery Mystery Tour in October.

As part of National Historic Preservation month, next week, they will be hosting cemetery tours for school children with an additional public tour on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 10:00 am. They will also be hosting a tour of buildings in historic downtown Murray on Saturday, May 31, 2014 at 10:00 am at the Cahoon Mansion. The tour will include the Cahoon Mansion, the Carruth Home, the Townsend Home, and the Murray Power Building.

Mr. Steele said the Board thanks the City Council for their support in preserving Murray's history for future generations. Murray has a unique story to tell through its historic structures and the museum. The Board encourages the City to keep in mind, as they plan to move City Hall, the need to relocate the museum to a suitable and hopefully larger space. The Board hopes they can be a part of that discussion.

## 6. **Citizen Comments** (Comments are limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise approved by the Council.)

### 6.1 Hill Air Force Base Presentation. (Extra time allowance)

Presenter: Major Long and Mr. Kevin Ireland

Major Long said he is the 75<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron Director of Operations at Hill Air Force Base. He is also the air show coordinator on the team Hillside. He said he has Mr. Ireland here who is from the Top of Utah Military Affairs Committee and they are here to talk about their air show that is coming up late this year.

It is on June 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> at Hill Air Force Base. They will be opening the gates at about 8:00 am. They will have events starting to kick off at about 9:00 am which includes a radio controlled aircraft demonstration. About 10:00 am they will get started with the actual show. They will have the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds and the U.S. Army Golden Knights, which is their parachute demonstration team. They will also have about a dozen world class acts; everything from the Red Bull Demonstration Aerial Team to Mr. Chapman who is a five time world champion in terms of aerobatics. They have some really top of the line acts. They did their best in going out and recruiting these folks.

The whole point of the Hill Air Force Base air show, at least from Team Hillside the U.S. Air Force side, it is really a recruiting and retention tool. They are an all-volunteer force and they do not do conscriptions anymore, no drafts. They rely on volunteers to stand up and say, "I want to join." The way they do that is through this air show. By having these demonstrations and showing people what military air power can do. It inspires people to not only join military service but to also

seek education in mathematics, science technology and engineering.

It is also a great way to support those stem initiatives too. Major Long said he can attest to that. He is actually a native to Utah. He was born in Salt Lake City and grew up in Sandy. He played in Murray City Park as a child many times. His Grandfather worked at Hill Air Force Base at the Aircraft Depot. He worked on F-16s when they were brand new jets. He would always take Major Long around. He would go to these air shows every two years and see what was going on up there. Major Long thought it was the coolest thing ever. It inspired him, because here he is, wearing the uniform.

Major Long said it also paved him on a path of science and technology. He got his Bachelor's Degree in mathematics. He joined the Air Force voluntarily after he got his Bachelor's Degree and has not looked back since. It has been great for him to come back to Utah and be a part of the air show because he has a personal connection to it.

Hill Air Force Base is part of Utah's history. It has been in the state since the 30s. A lot of great and historic things have occurred at that base. They have supported a lot of significant historical events including the war on terrorism and the defense of the homeland.

Major Long said the air show is open to the public and it is free. He reiterated they have a number of great events planned. He thanked Mr. Ireland for the fundraising he has been leading on the community side. They would not be able to do it, with all the budget cuts and the federal deficit, it is just not possible for them to go out and spend all the money that they would like to spend to make a really great air show. They have great community support.

Not only do they have that, but the economic impact to the community of actually having the air show. They are expecting to bring in between 300,000 – 500,000 folks for the whole weekend. They will be coming in from the surrounding states, not just Utah.

Major Long said the show is a very deep and personal connection to the state. He thinks it will be a great time and it is free. He encouraged everyone to come out and have a great time at the air show. He turned the time over to Mr. Ireland.

Mr. Ireland said he wanted to give the other side of what the air show is about. He has been involved since 1995. Over the last several years, the show has become quite a fundraising job. This year they are going to raise about \$450,000. The State of Utah has stepped up with dollars; many cities have stepped up with dollars; as well as many private organizations.

Without that that \$450,000 the air show would not happen; they could not invite the public out to Hill Air Force Base and they could not have this air show.

Mr. Ireland said the economic impact the air show has to the entire State of Utah, not just Davis County, but the State is between 30 and 40 million dollars. That is measured by the Convention of Visitors Bureau based on a two day event where some of the people stay and others come back the second day. Those are hard numbers; that is the true impact this event has to this State.

It does not just affect Layton, Ogden, and Bountiful; it affects Murray, Sandy and everybody along the Wasatch Front. That is why it is so important and that is why this year they have reached out to all the cities, as many as they could go to, and say, "Hey, come and enjoy the show. It is your show as well. It is not just for those in Davis County." Mr. Ireland has had contacts from as far away as Colorado, California, Nevada, Idaho and Wyoming asking where they can stay when they come in for the weekend for the air show.

The air show is drawing a large contingent. The other thing to understand is because they have had such a supporter in the community, they are one of very few Air Force Bases that are having a show this year. The reason is, as Major Long mentioned, is there are no dollars to have air shows anymore. And there are very few communities that can step up and are willing to step up, and raise the kind of funds that we have done here in Utah.

Mr. Ireland encouraged everyone to get involved by going to their website and checking it out, [theutahairshow.com](http://theutahairshow.com). The website has information about the performers, what time to be there and what you can bring. You can also jump over to the Hill Air Force Base Air Show website from there, there is a link.

Mr. Ireland said they hope everyone will take the time to come up to the show. Come up and spend the day with your family because it is a wonderful opportunity. He said that several people have asked him if an F-35 and an F-22 will be there. They will be, so people will be able to get up and close and see what those new airplanes of the future look like. They are one of only two bases in the country that is going to have an F-35 for people to look at. That within itself is worth the trip. He has seen one fly and it is the most spectacular thing you have ever seen.

Mr. Nicponski thanked Mr. Ireland and Major Long for what they do to make this possible. They appreciate the commitment they have made to their country. Hill Air Force Base is unbelievably valuable in the State of Utah. It is exciting that something like this air show can be done; it is an outstanding activity.

**7. Consent Agenda**

7.1 None scheduled.

**8. Public Hearings**

8.1 None scheduled.

**9. Unfinished Business**

9.1 None scheduled.

**10. New Business**

- 10.1 Consider a Resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City and Salt Lake County to provide for bond proceeds to be transferred to the City to pay for all or part of the costs of City-wide street improvements and resurfacing, and to make other qualified improvements.

Staff presentation: Doug Hill, Public Services Director

Mr. Hill said this is an agreement that the Council saw two months ago. It is an agreement between Salt Lake County and Murray City that transfers a portion of the Motor Vehicle Registration fees to Murray City to use for road construction projects within the City. The Council approved it two months ago but since that time, the County has made a few changes to the agreement and has asked that it be brought back to the Council.

The changes are not significant in terms of how the City is going to use the funds but there are changes in the language. The language has actually been loosened a little bit on how the City can use the funds. That is why it is being brought back to the Council; because of those language changes.

The plan is to use the funds specifically, in this case, on 5900 South as part of that reconstruction project.

Mr. Nicponski asked how much money we are talking about.

Mr. Hill replied \$200,000.

Frank Nakamura, City Attorney said in the prior agreement there were some specific references to the exact projects the City was doing and the County was concerned that they did not want to be signing off on the City's projects. They wanted that changed.

The other change is that the County wants the City to take responsibility for using the funds in a qualified way. The City is going to use the funds on road projects that qualify for these funds. The County thought, to them, it was a material change and wanted the agreement resigned.

Ms. Turner made a motion to approve the Resolution

Mr. Camp seconded the motion

Call vote recorded by Brent Davidson.

  A   Mr. Camp  
  A   Ms. Turner  
  A   Mr. Nicponski

Motion passed 3-0

- 10.2 Consider a Resolution adopting the City Council's Tentative Budget, as amended, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015 and scheduling a public hearing to receive public comment before the final budget is adopted.

Staff presentation: Justin Zollinger, Finance Director

Mr. Zollinger said they have built, gone through, made revisions and maintained a balanced budget which is important. There are more things the City would like to do but we work within the natural limiter which is our funding and we maintain a nice, conservative revenue budgets.

Mr. Zollinger said the electronic document is on our website. This one will be posted tomorrow morning. It will be on the front page and also under the Finance Department tab. It is in number form and narrative form. If there are questions, the Finance Department is happy to go over any of those questions. Mr. Zollinger said they are now ready to receive public comment on the budget.

Ms. Turner asked if the Public Hearing has been scheduled.

Mr. Nakamura replied the Public Hearing is scheduled for June 3, 2014 at 6:30 in the Council Chambers.

Mr. Camp made a motion to approve the Resolution

Ms. Turner seconded the motion

Call vote recorded by Jennifer Kennedy

  A   Mr. Camp  
  A   Ms. Turner  
  A   Mr. Nicponski

Motion passed 5-0



**11. Mayor**

11.1 Report

Mr. Hill said Mayor Eyre is out of town attending a conference on shopping centers; trying to recruit more retail businesses into Murray. Other than that, Mr. Hill had nothing to report.

11.2 Questions for the Mayor

**12. Adjournment**

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Jennifer Kennedy, City Recorder